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WILLIAM GARRETT STACK, FORMER NLRB ASSOCIATE GENERAL COUNSEL, RECEIVES PRESIDENT'S MERITORIOUS EXECUTIVE AWARD

Former NLRB Associate General Counsel William Garrett Stack has been honored by President Clinton as a recipient of the Presidential Rank Award of Meritorious Executive for 1995.

Every year, the President recognizes a select group of the government's senior executives by bestowing the rank of Distinguished or Meritorious Executive on the very best career members of the Senior Executive Service for sustained exceptional performance as public servants. These executives oversee some of government's most vital programs. In 1995, the President awarded 62 Distinguished Executive Ranks and 146 Meritorious Ranks for career excellence.

The 6,500 career members of the Senior Executive Service are the government's key managers who work directly with the President's top appointed officials. The President depends on these executives each and every day to translate the mandate of the national electorate into action.

In praising the award winners, President Clinton said, "They are modern pioneers, redesigning the way we do work and improving service to our citizens. Public servants in the finest sense, they protect our air and water supplies, clean up nuclear waste, defend our nation,

and strengthen our economy through international trade. I am pleased to recognize their outstanding efforts with the Presidential Rank Award.”

In announcing the award to Mr. Stack, General Counsel Fred Feinstein said:

“Garrett Stack is the epitome of excellence in the federal Senior Executive Service and his contributions to the National Labor Relations Board and the working men and women of the United States fully warrant his selection by the President for this high honor. Garrett has excelled both as a lawyer and a manager throughout his career with the Agency. As General Counsel I relied confidently on his guidance and his steady hand as he managed the entire field operation of the NLRB. Garrett has a well-deserved reputation for always putting the mission of the Agency foremost. He has always believed strongly in the Agency’s core mission of guaranteeing the workers of this country the right to choose for themselves, free of unlawful interference, whether to engage in collective bargaining. The citizens of this country have benefited greatly for his hard work, his personal and professional integrity and his outstanding abilities. Garrett Stack is not only an outstanding public servant, but a true gentleman who treats all individuals with great dignity and respect. I am very proud to have served with him in the federal service.”

Mr. Stack, who as Associate General Counsel of the National Labor Relations Board’s Division of Operations-Management directed the Agency’s field offices since 1992, retired May 3, 1995 after 28 years of service with the agency.

As Associate General Counsel of Operations-Management, Mr. Stack was responsible for supervising all NLRB field activities and for coordinating the operations of the field offices with the Washington, D.C. headquarters offices of the General Counsel. The NLRB has 33 regional offices and 19 subregional offices.

The NLRB is an independent federal agency created in 1935 to administer the National Labor Relations Act -- the country's principal labor relations law granting workers the right to organize and bargain collectively should they choose to do so. It adjudicates unfair labor practice charges and conducts secret ballot elections to determine whether employees wish to be represented by a union in dealing with their employers.

Born in Kansas City, Missouri, Mr Stack joined the agency in 1967, first working in the Peoria, Illinois office as a Litigation Specialist. In 1973, he was promoted to Deputy Assistant General Counsel, a headquarters position in the Division of Operations-Management. Two years later, he was promoted to Assistant General Counsel, supervising NLRB offices in the western portion of the U S. He was named Deputy Associate General Counsel in 1988 and Associate General Counsel in 1992.

Mr Stack received his B S degree in Industrial Relations in 1962 from Rockhurst College, Kansas City and his law degree in 1965 from the University of Missouri at Kansas City. He is admitted to the Missouri Bar.

Mr Stack is married to the former Sylvia Jane Goodbrake of Clinton, Missouri. They have three grown children, Anna Marie, Gilbert and Benjamin.

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